

Union Calendar No. 267

105TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 2786

[Report No. 105-468, Part I]

To authorize additional appropriations for the Department of Defense for ballistic missile defenses and other measures to counter the emerging threat posed to the United States and its allies in the Middle East and Persian Gulf region by the development and deployment of ballistic missiles by Iran.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 31, 1997

Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania (for himself, Mr. PICKETT, Ms. HARMAN, Mr. BATEMAN, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. HOSTETTLER, Mr. BONO, Mr. GIBBONS, Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. PAPPAS, Mr. RILEY, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. LoBIONDO, Mr. SPENCE, Mrs. FOWLER, Mr. ROHRABACHER, Mr. THORNBERRY, Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. ORTIZ, Mr. HEFLEY, Mr. JONES, Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky, Mr. GILMAN, Mr. HUNTER, Mr. SOLOMON, Mr. McHALE, Mr. SKELTON, Mr. FOX of Pennsylvania, Mr. TAYLOR of Mississippi, Mr. McKEON, Mr. REYES, Mr. NETHERCUTT, Mr. COBLE, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. McHUGH, Mr. BUYER, Mr. STUMP, Mr. COX of California, Mr. SHADEGG, Mr. GALLEGLY, Mr. SAXTON, Mr. TURNER, Mr. BLAGOJEVICH, Mr. ANDREWS, Mr. RYUN, Mr. MURTHA, Mr. TALENT, Mr. WICKER, Mr. SCARBOROUGH, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. HASTERT, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, Mr. GREENWOOD, Mr. SKEEN, Mr. PITTS, Mr. GILCHREST, Mr. HOLDEN, Mr. GOSS, Mr. LAZIO of New York, Mr. RODRIGUEZ, Mr. HANSEN, Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, Mrs. EMERSON, Mr. COYNE, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mr. COLLINS, Mr. CANADY of Florida, Mr. PACKARD, Mr. BARTON of Texas, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. LEWIS of California, Mr. HAYWORTH, Mr. McCRERY, Mr. COMBEST, Mr. KING, Mr. UNDERWOOD, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. WELLER, Mr. EHRLICH, Mr. BUNNING, Mr. BALLENGER, Mr. DREIER, Mr. BILBRAY, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mr. DICKS, Mr. METCALF, Ms. DUNN, Mr. EVERETT, Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, Mr. DOOLITTLE, Mr. THOMAS, Mr. WHITE, Mr. BOEHNER, Mr. CALLAHAN, Mr.

BARRETT of Nebraska, Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina, Mr. HILLEARY, Mr. COOKSEY, and Mrs. CHENOWETH) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on National Security, and in addition to the Committee on International Relations, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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Additional sponsors: Mr. BEREUTER, Mr. TIAHRT, Mr. BOB SCHAFER of Colorado, Mr. BACHUS, and Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut

MARCH 26, 1998

Reported with amendments, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italic]

MARCH 26, 1998

Referral to the Committee on International Relations extended for a period ending not later than March 26, 1998

MARCH 26, 1998

The Committee on International Relations discharged; referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and order to be printed

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on October 31, 1997]

A BILL

To authorize additional appropriations for the Department of Defense for ballistic missile defenses and other measures to counter the emerging threat posed to the United States and its allies in the Middle East and Persian Gulf region by the development and deployment of ballistic missiles by Iran.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 *This Act may be cited as the “Theater Missile Defense*
5 *Improvement Act of 1998”.*

1 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

2 *Congress makes the following findings:*

3 *(1) Development of medium-range ballistic mis-*
4 *siles by potential adversaries, such as Iran, has pro-*
5 *ceeded much more rapidly than previously antici-*
6 *pated by the United States Government.*

7 *(2) Existence of such missiles in potentially hos-*
8 *tile nations constitutes a serious threat to United*
9 *States forces, allies, and friends in the Middle East*
10 *and Persian Gulf region and cannot be adequately*
11 *countered by currently deployed ballistic missile de-*
12 *fense systems.*

13 *(3) It is a matter of high national interest to*
14 *quickly reduce the vulnerability of United States*
15 *forces, allies, and friends to these threats.*

16 *(4) Meaningful and cost effective steps to reduce*
17 *these vulnerabilities are available and should be pur-*
18 *sued expeditiously.*

19 **SEC. 3. ACCELERATION OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE PRO-**
20 **GRAMS TO COUNTER ENHANCED BALLISTIC**
21 **MISSILE THREAT.**

22 *Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated for the*
23 *Department of Defense for fiscal year 1998 for Defense-wide*
24 *research, development, test, and evaluation in the amount*
25 *of \$147,000,000, to be available as follows:*

1 (1) *JOINT COMPOSITE TRACKING NETWORK.*—
2 \$35,000,000 to be available for the Joint Composite
3 Tracking Network program.

4 (2) *PATRIOT REMOTE LAUNCH CAPABILITY.*—
5 \$15,000,000 to be available to accelerate development
6 of the remote launch capability for the Patriot Ad-
7 vanced Capability (PAC-3) missile defense system.

8 (3) *PAC-3 AND NAVY AREA DEFENSE TESTS.*—
9 \$40,000,000 to be available to test the capabilities of
10 the Patriot Advanced Capability (PAC-3) missile de-
11 fense system, and to test the capabilities of the Navy
12 Area Defense System, against missiles with the range
13 of the Iranian ballistic missiles under development.

14 (4) *EARLY WARNING ENHANCEMENT.*—
15 \$6,000,000 to be available for improved integration of
16 the various elements of the SHIELD system.

17 (5) *PAC-3 PRODUCTION RATE ENHANCE-*
18 *MENTS.*—\$41,000,000 to be available for production
19 rate enhancements for the Patriot Advanced Capabil-
20 ity (PAC-3) missile defense system.

21 (6) *ISRAELI ARROW MISSILE DEFENSE SYS-*
22 *TEM.*—\$10,000,000 to be available to improve inter-
23 operability of the Israeli Arrow tactical ballistic mis-
24 sile defense system with United States theater missile
25 defense systems.

1 **SEC. 4. IDENTIFICATION OF OTHER POSSIBLE ACTIONS.**

2 (a) *IDENTIFICATION.*—*The Secretary of Defense shall*
3 *identify actions in addition to those authorized by section*
4 *3 that could be taken by the Department of Defense to*
5 *counter the threats posed to the United States and its na-*
6 *tional security interests by the development or acquisition*
7 *of medium-range ballistic missiles by Iran and other na-*
8 *tions.*

9 (b) *SPECIFIC ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN.*—*The Secretary*
10 *specifically shall explore—*

11 (1) *additional cooperative measures between the*
12 *Department of Defense and the Ministry of Defense of*
13 *Israel to further enhance Israel’s ability to defend*
14 *itself against the threat posed by ballistic missiles de-*
15 *ployed by Iran and other nations; and*

16 (2) *actions within the existing Navy Theater*
17 *Wide Missile Defense System program that could pro-*
18 *vide additional capabilities useful to addressing the*
19 *threat posed by medium-range ballistic missiles with-*
20 *in one to two years.*

21 (c) *INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION.*—*The Sec-*
22 *retary shall undertake appropriate intergovernmental and*
23 *interagency coordination that would be necessary to the*
24 *conduct of any of the actions identified pursuant to sub-*
25 *section (a).*

1 **SEC. 5. REPORT TO CONGRESS.**

2 *Not later than 60 days after the date of the enactment*
 3 *of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to Congress*
 4 *a report providing—*

5 *(1) a description of the Secretary's plans for use*
 6 *of funds appropriated pursuant to the authorizations*
 7 *of appropriations in this Act; and*

8 *(2) a description of possible additional actions*
 9 *identified by the Secretary pursuant to section 4(a)*
 10 *and the steps taken or planned (as of the time of the*
 11 *report) to carry out section 4(c).*

12 **SEC. 6. OFFSETTING REDUCTIONS IN AUTHORIZATIONS.**

13 *The total amount authorized in section 201 of the Na-*
 14 *tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1998 (Pub-*
 15 *lic Law 105–85) to be appropriated for fiscal year 1998*
 16 *for research, development, test, and evaluation for the De-*
 17 *partment of Defense is hereby reduced by \$147,000,000, of*
 18 *which—*

19 *(1) \$126,000,000 is to be derived from savings*
 20 *from the use of advisory and assistance services by the*
 21 *Department of Defense in accordance with section*
 22 *8041 of the Department of Defense Appropriations*
 23 *Act, 1998 (Public Law 105–56; 111 Stat. 1230); and*

24 *(2) \$21,000,000 is to be derived from savings*
 25 *from the use by the Department of Defense of defense*
 26 *federally funded research and development centers in*

1 *accordance with section 8035 of the Department of*
2 *Defense Appropriations Act, 1998 (Public Law 105–*
3 *56; 111 Stat. 1227).*

Amend the title so as to read: “A bill to authorize additional appropriations for the Department of Defense for ballistic missile defenses and other measures to counter the emerging threat posed to the United States and its allies by the accelerated development and deployment of ballistic missiles by nations hostile to United States interests.”.

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